



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY & FIRE PROTECTION

CAL FIRE AT A GLANCE

CAL FIRE is responsible for providing wildland fire protection, fire prevention, and resource management on more than 31 million acres of State Responsibility Area (SRA) lands throughout California. In addition, CAL FIRE provides emergency services to 115 local government cooperators through agreements with districts, cities and counties.

General Information

CAL FIRE Budget (FY 2022-2023) \$3.7 billion

Personnel (numbers approximate)

Permanent Incident Response	5,932
Seasonal*	2,693
Mission Support Positions	2,668
Inmates, Wards, California Conservation Corps Members & California National Guard Members	5,000
Volunteers In Prevention (VIPS)	600

*The Seasonal Firefighter 1 count for current year includes both Ongoing Seasonal Positions and Augmented Seasonal Positions. Ongoing Seasonal Positions are the positions that are authorized in the budget act and permanently funded. Augmented positions are a one-time basis, and these are not permanently funded/authorized positions.

Fire Protection

Facilities

Region Operations Centers	2
Emergency Command Centers	21
CAL FIRE Units	21
CAL FIRE Fire Stations	240
Local Government Fire Stations (<i>operated by CAL FIRE via contract</i>)	568
Conservation Camps	30
CAL FIRE Firefighter Centers (funded through '22-'23 fiscal year)	17
Air Attack Bases	14
Helitack Bases	10
Cooperative Helitack Bases	1
State Fire Marshal Offices	10
Demonstration State Forests	9 forests/72,000 acres
Seed Bank/Nursery	1
Lookouts	27

CAL FIRE Equipment

Fire Engines	398
Bulldozers	70
Mobile Communications Centers	6
Mobile Kitchen Units	11
Airtankers	23
Air Tactical Planes (15 OV-10A's, 1 OV-10D and 2 King Airs)	18
Helicopters (funding has been approved for the purchase of 4 additional helicopters for a total of 16)	12
Firefighting Hand Crews - <i>funded 152 CDCR, 30 CCC, 26 FF, 14 CNG</i>	222
Fuels Reduction Crews	10

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Fire and Emergency Responses (2021)

Wildland Fires (<i>including State, Federal, and Local lands</i>).....	8,835
Wildland Acres Burned (<i>including State, Federal, and Local lands</i>).....	2,568,948
All Emergency Incidents <i>(including wildland, structure and vehicles fires, medical aids, hazardous material spills, etc.)</i>	535,819

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State Fire Training

Accredited Colleges (<i>Community Colleges and Fire Departments</i>).....	65
Student Course Diplomas (<i>annual average</i>).....	53,500

Inspections

Defensible Space Inspections (<i>FY 2020-2021</i>)	227,656
Pipeline Safety Inspections (<i>average miles of interstate</i>)	5,400
Plan Reviews (<i>average state-owned and state-occupied buildings and institutions</i>)	3,500

Resource Management

Fuels Treatment (*FY 2019-2020*)

Combined Fuel Reduction Projects (<i>treated acres</i>).....	105,173
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Timber Harvesting Plan (THP) Reviews (*averages*)

Acres of Timberland CAL FIRE has THP Review Jurisdiction Over	7.8 million
Timber Harvesting Plans CAL FIRE Reviews Yearly (<i>5-year average 2017-2021</i>).....	229



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